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Honolulu, T. H., October 15, 1908.

L. A. THURSTON, ESQ., Honolulu.

Dear Sir:—We have given careful and thoughtful consideration to the matters recently brought to our attention by yourself and others as to certain alleged charges against John W. Cathcart, the Republican candidate for City and County Attorney. Considering not only the charges, but also the untrustworthy sources of your information, we are unanimously and unqualifiedly of the opinion that sufficient reason does not exist why we should lay the matter before the Executive Committee of the Republican Party or take any steps to secure or urge the retirement of Mr. Cathcart from the ticket.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) ALBERT F. JUDD,
 J. P. COOKE,
 W. O. SMITH.

BEFORE THE CONVENTION.

The party is still casting about for a candidate for sheriff. If Lane would consent to accept the lesser position it would balance up the county ticket nicely. There is still hope that he will consent to allow his name to go in nomination if he fails to land the first place on the ticket, it having been pointed out to him by his friends that he could serve the party well by stepping into the breach and saving them a horrible turnaround which is surely coming if Wise is put up. There is some talk of nominating Carlos Long for the place, but no great display of enthusiasm followed the mention of his name.—Advertiser political news article, September 13.

Crawford proclaims himself in favor of Wise for sheriff, Carlos Long for County Attorney, and Huestace for Mayor, whom he declares will be nominated on the first ballot. The chief expert claims to hold in his hand eleven out of the thirteen delegates from his precinct for Huestace.—Advertiser political news article, September 14.

It is probable that Cathcart will be nominated, the only other candidate in the Republican garden mentioned being Carlos Long, ANOTHER IMPOSSIBILITY.—Advertiser political news article, August, 27.

Carlos Long is said to be actively canvassing for support for Sheriff on the Republican ticket. He concedes that he has little chance to become the party's nominee for County Attorney, and is now turning his attention to the other office.—Advertiser political news article, September 16.

— Carlos Long, too, has discovered that he can get no support in his efforts to land the County Attorneyship and yesterday he was fixing up a slate on which he was down as the party nominee for Sheriff with John Wise as his Deputy.—Advertiser political news article, September 15.

As was predicted by The Star the grand assault by the Advertiser upon the character and reputation of County Attorney Cathcart was discounted in advance by the investigation of its privately conveyed accusations by a committee of three citizens whose names are a guarantee of good faith to the public. Their finding is now published at the head of this column. It is briefly that Mr. Cathcart's accusers are not worthy of credence.

Some people seem to imagine that a life tenure, with the usual conditions of forfeiture only excepted, attaches to the office of county treasurer. In some states, as previously mentioned, one cannot hold this office for more than one term. The attitude of those who say that because Mr. Trent has been faithful to the trust he should be kept in the office is the more absurd from the fact that the system under which he is serving will pass out of existence at the end of this term. Instead of the County of Oahu it will thereafter be the City and County of Honolulu, and Republicans who fail to work and vote for the election of their own man for treasurer of the newly born municipality will have stultified themselves. Their complaisant acceptance of a holdover Democrat from a dead regime is a tacit admission that honesty, integrity and competency are wanting in men of their own political faith.

In its interference with the party nominations the Civic Federation is much of a joke. It is well known that nine-tenths of its membership are not guided in their action at the polls by the declarations made in its name. These are recognized by all to be the production merely of a fraction of the Federation's quorum. If the Federation contented itself with denouncing candidates manifestly unfit who may have worked their way to place on party tickets, it might be performing a useful function, although the party opposing such candidates may usually be safely let alone to do that work effectively enough. But endorsements of the nominees of party conventions by a professedly non-partisan body can only be regarded as supererogatory—or, in slang phraseology, a butting in without call or justification.

In reporting the decision of the Supreme Court upholding the automobile ordinance, The Star in its first edition yesterday inadvertently named Mr. G. A. Schuman as the defendant. It was an error of the compositor, the reporter having correctly written the name of the defendant. The mistake was corrected in the second edition and regret is hereby expressed for the annoyance caused to Mr. Schuman.

CITY'S CHURCHES

CENTRAL UNION CHURCH.

Corner of Beretania avenue and Richards street. Doremus Scudder, minister. Amos A. Ebersole, assistant minister.

Services on Sunday Oct. 18, as follows:

Bible School—Clifton H. Tracy, superintendent, with classes for all ages at 9:45 a. m.

Morning Worship 11 a. m. The minister will preach; subject: "The Vision on the House-top."

Choir and Chorus, Stanley Livingston, Conductor, will sing the anthem, "Break Forth into Joy," Barnaby.

The Christian Endeavor Society will sing and English sermon.

meet at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Commending our Society by Systematic Generous Giving." Leader, Ralph Brown.

Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock. Sermon by the assistant minister, subject, "Self Realization."

Choir, chorus and congregational singing anthem, "Art Thou Weary," Schenker; solo Mrs. Mackall.

A cordial invitation is hereby extended to strangers, seamen, travelers, visiting friends and the public generally to attend all these services.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.

6 a. m. Low Mass with Portuguese instruction and Holy Communion.

7 a. m. Low Mass with Holy Communion.

9 a. m. Children's Mass with singing and English sermon.

PINEAPPLE FIRMS AS BANKRUPTS

LORRIN A. THURSTON TELLS OF THE CONDITIONS WHICH MAY MEAN EXTREME FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES FOR CANNERY COMPANIES WITH THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

If the statement made by Attorney L. A. Thurston in the Supreme Court this morning is taken as authoritative, the big pineapple companies of this Territory are liable to be forced into bankruptcy within two years. This statement, made in an open manner by the attorney for one of the largest pineapple canning institutions in the Territory seems bound to have some backing.

The statement was made while an argument was taking place over the decrees to be entered as the result of the opinion handed down in the pineapple tax appeal cases. Thurston in the course of his argument said:

"The impression has been created that the pineapple concerns are making so much money that they can afford to go without the exemption which has been granted to them by the Legislature. I believe that it is perfectly right, in order to show that the strict interpretation of the letter of the law should not be too closely followed, to say that the pineapple companies are not in the best of financial positions.

If things go on as they have and this interpretation of the law holds, we are liable within the next two years to see these companies come before this court in bankruptcy proceedings.

"The atmosphere which hangs around this Government and this court is to the effect that the pineapple concerns are of the octopus variety."

At this point Thurston was interrupted by Justice Wilder who stated in a rather tart manner that he was not aware that any such atmosphere hung over the court. Chief Justice Hartwell also stated that he did not know of any atmosphere of the sort and Judge Ballou came in with the same kind of remark, also calling the attorney's attention to the fact that the court did not handle bankruptcy proceedings.

Attorney Thurston said that he was delighted to know that such was the case and shortly after concluded his argument, giving way to Judge Perry. Deputy Attorney General Whitney represented the Territory in the matter of the decrees, which were submitted for the decision of the court.

10:30 a. m. High Mass with native sermon.

2 p. m. Rosary and native instruction.

7 p. m. Portuguese sermon and Benediction of the M. B. Sacrament. During the week the masses at 6 and 7 a. m.

SAINT AUGUSTINE ON THE BEACH WAIKIKI.

9 a. m. Low Mass with singing and English sermon.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

A. C. McKeever, pastor.
 Bible School, 9:45 a. m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m., subject, "Giving"; Sermon 11 a. m. subject "The Greeks Would See Jesus"; Sermon, 7:30 p. m., subject, "Who Are Foolish?" All are welcome.

THE OLIVER RECITALS.

All college students and school children can get tickets for 25c for Katharine Oliver's recital in the Opera House Monday evening. All lovers of good dramatic work should make it a point to attend this last recital, as Miss Oliver will present some interesting character sketches.

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PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per S. S. Mauna Kea, Oct. 17, from Hawaii and Maui ports—H. W. Ehlers, W. Greig, Miss E. Herriott, Mrs. E. S. Walney, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Perry, Miss E. Wood, Miss P. Wood, B. Cartwright and servant, Miss L. Whitbeck, Mrs. C. J. Irwin, C. Buddie, Capt. J.

John McFarland a printer of New York City, en route by S. S. Marama for Australia, called on members of the craft at the office of The Star. Mr. McFarland left Australia of which country he was a native twenty years ago, but found the States so much to his liking that a fifth of a century elapsed before he could find time to visit the land of his nativity. During his short stay in our city Mr. McFarland was suitably entertained by members of his craft represented by Messrs. Traut and Estep.

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